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July 18, 2006

Dr. Denise Eby Konan, Interim Chancellor University of Hawaii at Manoa 2500 Campus Road Hawaii Hall Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Dr. Konan:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project

Thank you for your June 29, 2006 letter offering an alternate location of the eastern terminus of the Fixed Guideway Alternative.

As previously discussed, for the Alternatives Analysis, the eastern terminus of the Fixed Guideway Alternative will be the location in the University's Makai Campus. If the Fixed Guideway Alternative is subsequently selected as the Locally Preferred Alternative by the City Council later this year, your suggestion would be considered during the next phase (preliminary engineering). At that time, we anticipate close coordination with you regarding the eastern terminus.

Should you have any further comments or questions, please contact Mr. Kenneth Hamayasu, Project Manager, at 527-6978.

Sincerely,

MELVIN N. KAKU

Director

bcc: Mr. Mark Scheibe

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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I AT MĀNOA

DENISE EBY KONAN IIITERIM CHANCELLOR

June 29, 2006

Mr. Melvin N. Kaku Director, Department of Transportation Services City and County of Honolulu 650 South King Street, 3rd Floor Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Mr. Kaku:

Thank you for the opportunity for us to spend some time considering alternate locations for the University/Moili'ili transit terminus. As you may know, we are in the process of updating our campus Long Range Development Plan, so staff of our Campus Planning Office, the Executive Planning Committee (consisting of our four Vice-Chancellors), and our LRDP planning consultant have recently met to discuss the possible rail transit station and its impact on the campus and neighboring community.

Because they unanimously favor the attached optional location for the terminus, on Varsity Place south of H-1 (red line in illustrations attached), I wanted to pass their thoughts on to you for your consideration at this early date.

As you know, we are constrained for land on what we call our Makai Campus, with its athletic facilities focus. The option which you have presented to us would take up virtually the only land where needed athletic administrative facilities can be built, as well as space used for ROTC and other activities. While a station here would provide good access to events at Stan Sheriff Center, it would have no room for related parking, shuttle service, or public bus interface.

We feel that the Varsity Place site would have less negative impact on existing uses, and would have positive impact on future development of the area between there and King Street, while still providing good access to campus. We have heard that the Kamehameha School ownership may be expanding to include Puck's Alley, which bodes well for development of an upgraded business district.

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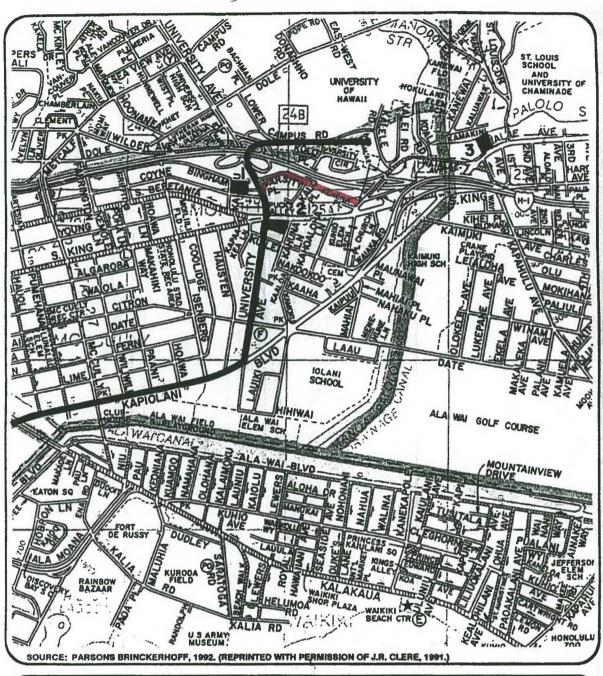
This site would also eliminate the need for your proposed 60'-70' height to cross H-1. We would ask you to consider applying the cost savings achieved to them improving the pedestrian underpass at H-1 and developing a bus/shuttle transit terminus as part of your station area development. We assume that you would be developing high-quality landscape and pedestrian areas in any case.

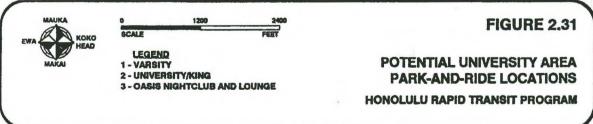
Please let us know if you would like to meet with any of our campus personnel in the near future. We will be discussing this option in mid-July or soon after with our LRDP Advisory Committee, which includes representatives of the Moili'ili community association, as well as representatives of a Varsity Gate Area Improvement Committee, which also includes Moili'ili business association representatives.

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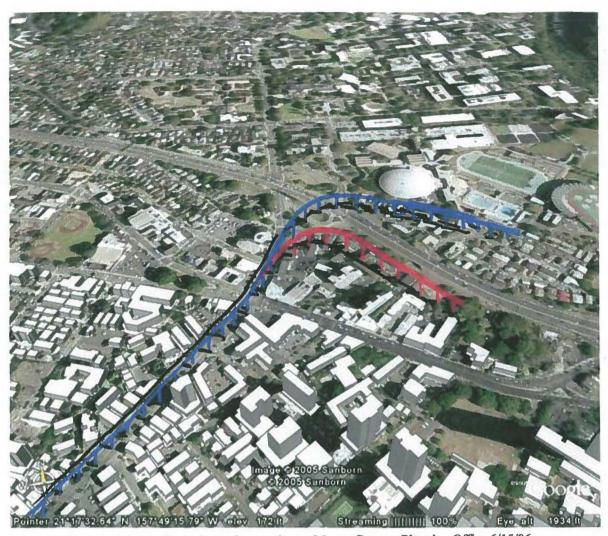
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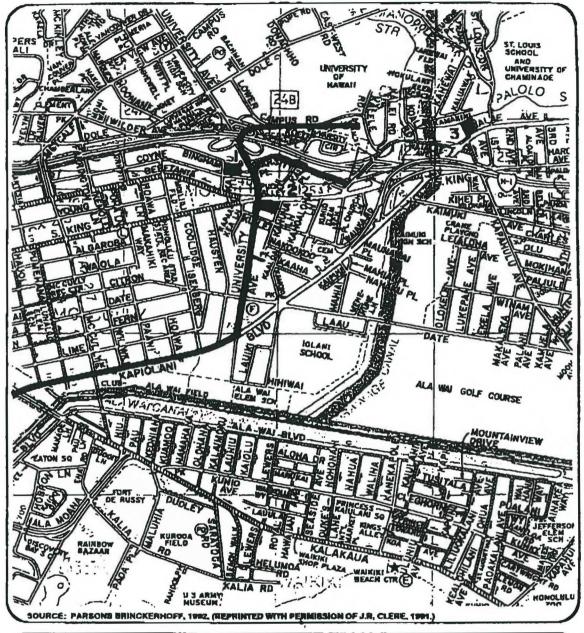
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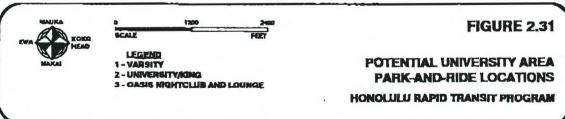
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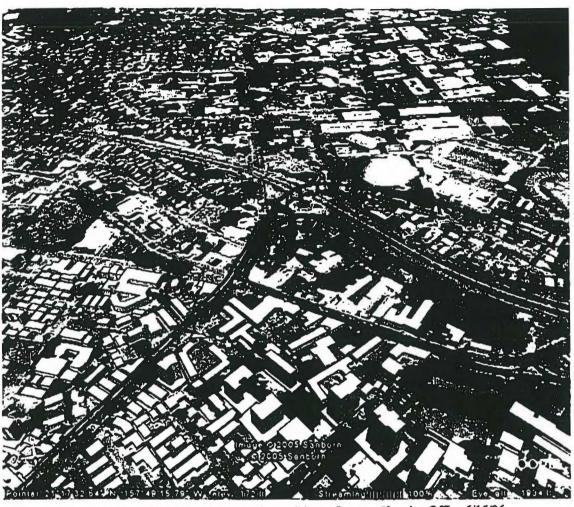
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